

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, immediately below the title, please delete the first paragraph and substitute therefor the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation of United States Patent Application No. 09/406,568, filed September 24, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,468,967, which claims benefit of United States Provisional Application Nos. 60/101,828, filed September 25, 1998, and 60/125,750, filed March 24, 1999, all of which are herein incorporated by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 2 and claim 6.

Please amend claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 11 and 26 to read as follows:

*B1 Sub C* 1. A method for administering a lipopeptide antibiotic, comprising the step of administering to a human patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the lipopeptide antibiotic in a dose of at least 3 mg/kg of the lipopeptide at a dosage interval that minimizes skeletal muscle toxicity, wherein the lipopeptide antibiotic dose is repeatedly administered at a dosage interval of once every 24 hours to once every 48 hours.

*B3 Sub C* 3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the lipopeptide antibiotic is administered once every 24 hours.

*B4 Sub C* 7. The method according to claim 1, wherein the dose is 3 to 12 mg/kg.

*B5 Sub C* 9. The method according to claim 1, wherein the dose is 10 to 25 mg/kg.